

convenience. This form must be completed by each party and returned to the district clerk within 20 days from the date of this Order. Any party is free to withhold consent without substantive adverse consequences.

II.

If all parties consent to the authority of the Magistrate Judge for all purposes, the case will be transferred to Judge Ramirez. An appeal from a judgment entered by the Magistrate Judge will be taken directly to the appropriate United States court of appeals in the same manner as an appeal from any other judgment of a district court.

III.

If all parties do not consent, the case will remain with Judge Ramirez for pretrial management. Judge Ramirez will issue a scheduling order and preside over all pretrial matters, including determining all non-dispositive motions and making recommendations on all dispositive motions.

IV.

Any questions concerning this Order or any matter related to this case should be directed to Marie Castañeda, Courtroom Deputy to Magistrate Judge Ramirez at (214) 753-2167.

SO ORDERED.

January 17, 2019.


BARBARA M. G. LYNN
CHIEF JUDGE